

WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE

ORIGINAL

FINANCE, WAYS, & MEANS COMMITTEE

June 11, 2013; 4:30 P.M.

Finance, Ways, & Means Members Present: Commissioners Tommy Jones, Roger Stewart, Eric Owen, James H. Westbrook, Jr., John Salmon and Earl Wright.

Finance, Ways, & Means Members Absent: None.

The Finance, Ways, & Means Committee met on Tuesday, June 11, 2013 at 4:30 p.m. at the Weakley County Department of Finance Board Room. Others present included Shawn Francisco - Director of Finance, Mike Wilson - Sheriff, Pat Scarbrough - County Clerk, Jamison Peevyhouse - Emergency Management Director, Gail Rogers - Office on Aging, Barbara Castleman - Election Commission Administrator, Houston Patrick - County Mayor, Shirley Chappell - Sharon Senior Center, Susan Collins - Clerk & Master, Keith Jones - Director of Juvenile Courts, David Tuck - Property Assessor, Tim Lannom - Ag Extension, Candy McAdams - Library, Tim James - Health Department, Marci Floyd - Trustee, Ron Cheatham - Veteran's Affairs, and Donna Snyder - Register of Deeds.

Chairman Roger Stewart called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

Commissioner Jones made the motion to approve the minutes of the FWM meeting from June 6, 2013 and with a second by Commissioner Jones the motion unanimously passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Transfer 1213-25: This transfer moves \$300 line 52300-331 (Legal Services) to line 52300-425 (Gasoline) in the Property Assessors budget. Commissioner Owen made the motion to approve Transfer 1213-25 and with a second by Commissioner Westbrook the motion unanimously passed.

Fund #101 - General Fund

Chairman Stewart asked for a motion to place the Fund 101 - General Fund budget on the floor to discuss expenditures. Commissioner Salmon made the motion and was seconded by Commissioner Westbrook.

Page 7, Account 51500, Election Commission

Commissioner Westbrook questioned line 331 (Legal Services). He asked Mrs. Castleman if she knew when the lawsuit might settle. Mrs. Castleman answered that she did not. Commissioner Westbrook requested that since the County is paying the legal fees that the Mrs. Castleman and the Election Commission share all information pertaining to the lawsuit.

Page 38, Account 56500, Libraries

Chairman Stewart recognized Mrs. McAdams. Mrs. McAdams shared with the Committee that the City of Dresden had increased its annual contribution to the Library by \$5,000.

Page 5, Account 51100, County Commission

Commissioner Stewart questioned what was paid from line 524 (Staff Development). Mrs. Francisco answered that any schooling, travel fees, etc. was paid from this line.

Commissioner Owen questioned the increase in line 118 (Secretary to Board). Mrs. Francisco answered that was to cover additional committee meetings.

Commissioner Stewart made the motion to decrease line 331 (Legal Services) from \$8,000 to \$5,000 and with a second by Commissioner Westbrook the motion unanimously passed.

Page 5, Account 51400, County Attorney

After some discussion there were no questions.

Page 6, Account 51300, County Mayor

Chairman Stewart recognized Mr. Patrick. Mr. Patrick stated that the vehicle given to him needed extensive repairs. Mr. Patrick requested that the money for these repairs be added to the 13-14FY budget. After some discussion, Commissioner Stewart recommended paying travel for two months until another vehicle would be available. Mr. Patrick also requested salary increases and an increase in longevity for all County employees.

Page 8, Account 51600, Register of Deeds

Chairman Stewart recognized Mrs. Snyder. Mrs. Snyder explained the increase in line 351 (Rentals) was for acquiring a new copier. She currently has two copiers both requiring repairs.

Page 9, Account 51800, County Buildings

Commissioner Westbrook made the motion to reduce line 415 (Electricity) from \$79,000 to \$62,500 and with a second by Commissioner Jones the motion unanimously passed.

Mrs. Francisco explained to the committee that the new HVAC system for the Courthouse came with a one-year warranty. An additional five-year warranty could be purchased for a cost of \$2,196. Commissioner Stewart made the motion to reduce line 335 (Maint/Repr – Bldgs) from \$25,000 to \$23,000 and to increase line 336 (Maint/Repr – Equip) from \$3,000 to \$5,000 to cover the cost of the five-year warranty and with a second by Commissioner Owen the motion unanimously passed.

Page 10, Account 51910, Preservation of Records

After some discussion there were no questions.

Page 12, Account 52300, Property Assessor

Chairman Stewart recognized Mr. Tuck. Mr. Tuck requested an increase to line 425 (Gasoline). He noted that the County vehicle he now had only got 16 MPG and the County vehicle he previously drove got 27-30 MPG.

Commissioner Owen made the motion to increase line 425 (Gasoline) from \$1,200 to \$1,600 and with a second by Commissioner Wright the motion unanimously passed.

Commissioner Westbrook questioned the expense in line 331 (Legal Services). Mr. Tuck noted that he currently had five different lawsuits going. Most would only go through arbitration.

Page 13, Account 52310, Reappraisal Program

Mr. Tuck stated that he would bring the reappraisal plan to the full County Commission.

Commissioner Westbrook questioned line 399 (Contracted Services – Appraisal). Mr. Tuck answered this is a set rate based on the County parcel count.

Page 14, Account 52400, Trustee

After some discussion there were no questions.

Page 15, Account 52500, County Clerk

Chairman Stewart recognized Mrs. Scarbrough. Mrs. Scarbrough stated that several of the changes in her 13-14FY budget is as of July 1, 2013 the State will no longer be providing paper, toner, computers, printers or Internet for the County Clerk's office. The State is now going to pay \$4,800 per year to be designated for supplies plus 35¢ per title.

Page 16, Account 53100, Circuit Court and Page 17, Account 53300, General Sessions Court

After some discussion there were no questions.

Page 18, Account 53400, Chancery Court – Clerk & Master

After some discussion there were no questions.

Page 19, Account 53500, Juvenile Court and Page 22, Account 53910, Truancy Court (Grant)

After some discussion there were no questions.

Page 20, Account 53600, District Attorney General

After some discussion there were no questions.

Page 23, Account 54110, Sheriff Department and Page 26, Account 54210, Jail

Chairman Stewart recognized Mr. Wilson. Mr. Wilson asked the Committee to look at Account 54210, Jail, line 340 (Medical and Dental). The current contract provides an LPN 20 hours per week. This is based on 85 inmates per day with a charge of \$1.19 per inmate over 85. The Weakley County Jail is now averaging 91 inmates per day. Mr. Wilson would like to increase the contract to provide an LPN 32 hours per week. Also, line 799 (Other Capital Outlay) Mr. Wilson is adding beds to handle the increase in population and adding ten cameras in pod areas. Mr. Wilson has been contacted by the City of Dresden concerning a sewage problem. The sewage for the jail goes to a pump station. This station was stopped up by toothbrushes, prisoner uniforms, etc. The County will need to install a shredder to stop "trash" from getting to the City's pump station. Estimated cost \$59,670. There is also a mold issue in the shower area. This is noted at every inspection. The blocks are too porous. The estimated cost to repair \$120,000.

Page 25, Account 54130, Dispatchers

After some discussion there were no questions.

Page 28, Account 54410, Emergency Management

After some discussion there were no questions.

Page 29, Account 54410-ISIP, Emergency Management

Chairman Stewart recognized Mr. Peevyhouse. Mr. Peevyhouse noted to the Committee that the ISIP Grant was reduced 29%.

Page 33, Account 55110, Health Center and Page 35, Account 55590-DGA, Health Center

After some discussion there were no questions.

Page 36, Account 56100, Adult Activities (Dresden)

Chairman Stewart recognized Ms. Rogers. Ms. Rogers explained to the Committee that Federal funding had cut \$5,100 from the Homemakers fund. This would mean that she would be turning down clients who depended on this service. Also the meals program had been cut. Ms. Rogers stated that she was working to find donations and funding for the meals program.

Chairman Stewart requested that Ms. Rogers provide the Committee with the revenues and expenditures for each of the programs by Thursday, June 13, 2013 and the FWM Committee would revisit her budget.

Page 37, Account 56300, Senior Citizens Assistance (Sharon)

Chairman Stewart recognized Mrs. Chappell. Mrs. Chappell explained to the Committee that Federal funding was also decreased to her budget. She also noted that State cuts were also coming.

Page 39, Account 57100, Agri Extension Service and Account 57500, Soil Conservation Services

After some discussion there were no questions.

Page 41, Account 58300, Veterans' Services

Chairman Stewart recognized Mr. Cheatham. Mr. Cheatham presented an amended budget. Mr. Cheatham requested an increase in line 103 (Assistant) to provide 30 hours per month. Also, there was an increase in line 435 (Other Supplies) to purchase a new fax/copier. Chairman Stewart stated that the Committee would revisit this budget on Thursday, June 13, 2013.

Other Business:

Chairman Stewart called from a motion to continue discussion of Fund 101 – General Fund budget on Thursday, June 13, 2013 and to adjourn.

Commissioner Jones made the motion to adjourn at 6:04 p.m. and with a second by Commissioner Wright the motion unanimously passed.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kellie Thayer, Secretary
Finance, Ways, & Means Committee

Approved:


Roger Stewart, Chairman
Finance, Ways, & Means Committee

Date: 6-7-2-13